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Dear colleagues,

As you may know, today ACC announced our Roadmap to Recovery. Although this focused on domestic policy, it has implications for ACC's international efforts to address plastic waste. Attached are background materials that support today's public launch of ACC national roadmap to combat plastic waste.

ACC believes that plastic waste is unacceptable. To eliminate the problem, our members have set aggressive commitments for themselves: by 2030, 100 percent of plastic packaging used in the U.S. will be recyclable or recoverable, and by 2040, 100 percent of plastic packaging in the U.S will be re-used, recycled or recovered. These are extraordinarily aggressive goals but we believe they are achievable.

The attached materials set forth a road map to achieve our goals with specific recommendations for all stakeholders across the value chain. They also provide a set of Guiding Principles – the concrete steps we plan to take to solve the plastic waste problem. Finally, they provide an update on investments our industry has made to date: more than \$5 billion in announced investments that have the potential to divert more than 3.6 million tons of material annually from landfills.

I appreciate the work you and your agencies do to address the challenge of plastic waste and marine debris. ACC and I look forward to continuing to work with you as we move forward with our roadmap.

Take care, Stew

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